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SUBJ: QATAR REACTION TO RESIGNATION OF BAHRAINI CABINET

1. WE HAVE BEEN WAITING FOR SOME LOCAL GOQ REACTION TO POLITICAL SITUATION IN BAHRAIN, BUT ONLY PUBLIC REACTION HAS BEEN NEWS OF SPECIAL ENVOY FROM BAHRAIN WHO WAS DESPATCHED TO NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES TO EXPLAIN SITUATION IN BAHRAIN TO HEADS OF STATE WHEN CABINET FIRST RESIGNED. WE HAVE HEARD NOTHING FURTHER REGARDING BAHRAIN SITUATION AND DO NOT EXPECT TO.

2. COMMENT: IN ADDITION TO THE GOQ NOT BEING A VERY VOCAL GOVERNMENT, WE BELIEVE THAT TOTAL SILENCE ON SITUATION IN NEIGHBORING BAHRAIN IS INDICATIVE OF QATAR'S FIRM CONVICTION THAT THE BAHRAIN PROBLEM IS FURTHER PROOF THAT QATAR DOES NOT NEED AT THIS TIME TO CHANGE ITS PRESENT NON DEMOCRATIC SYSTEM OF GOVERNMENT. THE GOQ'S SILENCE ON THE RESIGNATION OF THE BAHRAIN CABINET COULD BE CLASSED IN THE "SEE I TOLD YOU SO" SYNDROME.

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